

Infrastructure fund for Urban Local Bodies

3169. SHRIMATI S.G. INDIRA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are considering to set up an infrastructure fund for revamping the decaying infrastructure;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that the proposed fund would help urban local bodies to get Central grants at cheaper rates for taking up capital intensive big infrastructure projects; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) to (d) There is a proposal for setting up of National Urban Infrastructure Fund (NUIF) as a trust to provide source of funding for bankable projects/ schemes pertaining to the Urban Local Bodies (ULBs). However, the details of the proposal could be known only after it is firmed up.

Urban Development Projects

3170. SHRI O.T. LEPCHA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the details of urban development projects formulated and being implemented by Government in the country, State-wise; and

(b) the details of financial assistance granted by Government for urban development in the country during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.